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DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Philadelphia, August 8th, '97.

I am happy to arrive at your last observation. And I wish it was not, like the rest, exceptionable and incorrect. Thole are your words—"Respecting the last article of your report, I have only to observe, that although you have constantly assured me that government had not the least information respecting the subject of my representations, and although the letter of Mr. Jackson, of Georgia, appears to coincide with your ideas, no earth-less time has fatisfied that I have complied with my duty by not repoling on such assurances. The plot is discovered, and nobody any longer doubts that the expedition was to have taken place." Strange remark! Juft the reverie of it should have been made. For altho' there is a discovery of Mr. Blount's plot, its extent is by no means ascertained; and far from nobody doubting, probably every body doubts whether the projected expedition was to have taken place. It was not to be undertaken but in conjunction with a British force—and on the proposal of the expedition to the British government it was totally rejected. Even Mr. Blount, who, if the project was adopted, *expected to be at the head of it*, ventures no farther than to say *he believed* that the plan would be *attempted, but if* attempted, that it would not be till the "fall;" and consequently your zeal in March and April, for which, at the expense of decency towards the American government, to take to yourself so much credit, had then no juft objects. This zeal of yours so displayed in the information you gave to the baron de Carondelet, in March or April, of the expedition supposed to be preparing in Canada against Upper Louisiana; yet you would now attempt to justify this zeal by the plot of Mr. Blount; although this plot and the Canada expedition were wholly diffe ent and unconnected.

I shall conclude this long letter, with your eleven positions, which you close with as much solemnity as if they were all of them important, and did not

Supported by facts or juft reasoning. But the facts I have given do confirm the state, positions, and other unfounded, as well as improbable suppositions of not the smalleft consequence.

Thefe are your propositions addressed to me in your own words.

"10. That on the 25th of February I gave you sufficient particulars respecting the intended expedition, to have attracted the attention of the government."

Answer. I have offered reasons to prove that you gave me *no particulars*, but only mentioned your *suspicions*, and that you promised to give me your representations in writing; for which, of course, it was proper for me to wait.

"2. That although in this verbal communication, I added nothing in writing on the 3d of March, the President had not the least knowledge of it's contents till the same month; and that without doubt you would have used very powerful motives to

that I have redundant reason to conclude your suspicions to be wholly unfounded, and for attaching no sort of consequence to them. The event demonstrates that I was right; and that instead of *very powerful* motives, none were needed for a delay of only four or five days, or for a much longer period; and that to notice your naked suspicions at all, was not an act of neceffity, but of complaisance. I might with justice complain of *your* delay to answer my letter of the 16th of March, on a subject of very high importance to the United States, I mean the evacuation of the posts. I will not say that you were negligent—or "remifs"—but I will say that *for* a whole month you omitted to give me your short and unsatisfactory answer. The indisposition which you assign as the cause of the delay, did not prevent you from writing on other subjects—not long from going abroad.

"3. That it does not appear by the documents presented by the Secretary of War, that government had given orders to the military commanders to cause the territory and neutrality of the U. States to be respected."

Answer. I have shown that none were neceffary to be given.

"4. That you made to the English minister a communication which in my opinion you ought not; and that even if you tho't it neceffary, you delayed doing it for two months, that is, from the 25th of February to the 28th of April, *sub.* it respected a most urgent and important object."

Answer. On the 28th of April, I informed you by letter that I had communicated to the British minister your suspicions of an expedition preparing by the English against Upper Louisiana; and as for upwards of a months you expressed no dissatisfaction on account of this communication, I might well conclude you did not think it improper. Nay in your letter of July 11th, which I am now answering, you refer with apparent approbation to this very communication, connected with the declaration which accompanied it to the British minister, that the President could not consent to the march of any troops, either British or Spanish, thro' the territory of the United States; and you consider it as a "determinate disposition" of the American government on this point. I have also shewn, that admitting this communication to Mr. Liston to be proper, I did not delay doing it *for* a months nor 2 weeks; though it respected at best but an *imaginary* project.

"5. That the Baron de Carondelet could very well have received my letters, without its neceffarily following that his had come to hand."

Answer. I have shewn that you did not understand my reasoning on this point; which went to prove that your Answer of the 17th of April to my letter of the 16th of March, about the evacuation of the posts was wanting in candor.

"6. That the Baron did not represent Mr Elliott's not writing to him officially as a *complaint*, but as an *observation*, and that in fact he never has done it in those terms."

Answer. I have shewn that whether the Baron's assertion should have been called a *complaint* or an *observation* was perfectly immaterial; I meant to shew it was unfounded; and his own letter shows.

"7. That the proofs you allege to exculpate Mr. Elliott respecting the intention of taking the fort of Nitches by surprize are purely negative."

Answer. I offered them only as negative proofs. Yet when one witness so circumstantially against Mr. Elliott as Andrew Ellicott

Answer. The [illegible] which you call "[illegible]" are detailed in this letter, and embrace too many facts and circumstances to be abridged:—permit me to decline to review them. I shall only repeat, that nothing is more certain than that Mr. Blount's letter has not the remotest reference to the suspected Canada expedition; which is your only pretence for reimproaching the posts in Upper Louisiana—his calling the Indians to your aid—for holding the posts at the Natchez, and Walnut Hills—and for delaying to run the boundary line.

"10. That you evidently contradict yourself, when on one hand you are pleased to attribute to us the movements of the Indians, and in the very next paragraph you shew it might proceed from American citizens, as it actually does, according to Mr. Blount's letter, and that he acted with the knowledge and intelligence of the British minister."

notes, *without signature, and perhaps out of his own hand writing*, you place such implicit confidence."

Answer. I have shewn that there is not a shadow of contradiction in my observations on this subject; and your assertions to the contrary must proceed only from your not understanding them. You say that Mr. Blount acted in this matter with the knowledge and intelligence of the British minister. I am not likely to be true. It is in proof, by other evidence than the British minister's notes, that he did not & could not authorize the projected expedition against the Floridas—and particularly that one of his strong objections against it was that it contemplated the employing of the Indians; altho' he tho't it proper to submit the project to the consideration & decision of his government. Nobody therefore will believe that he authorized Mr Blount, or was even privy to his measures, for preparing the Indians for war. Besides Dr. Romayne, who may be presumed to be well acquainted with Mr. Blount's plot, suggests that it is not the project offered to Mr. Liston by Chisholm.

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Indeed was a citizen of the United States, and not a subject of Spain, I should have been decent in you to have left him with his own government without interposing your advice. But especially when you knew that the President had laid his letter before Congress; and the two houses, in part, deliberating on the mode of punishing him; when the investigation had proceeded so far that a committee of the senate had reported a resolution to expel Mr. Blount from the senate; and a committee of the house had reported a resolution that he should be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors: For you then to interfere was singularly improper; and it was such an ostentatious display of zeal, as under all the known circumstances, suggests more than one interpretation.

"11. That although in all your official communications, you have always manifested to me that the American government knew of nothing which indicated any foundation for my suspicions, Mr. Blount's letter clearly proves that I was perfectly in the right."

Answer. This remark is perfectly inconsequential; for your communications exhibited your suspicions of projected expeditions only from Canada and Georgia; and I have shown that Mr. Blount's letter has no relation to either.

I thought I had reached the end of your criminations; but in your concluding paragraph you accuse of an "unjust partiality," meaning, no doubt, towards the British minister and his nation. The details I have given in this letter, I trust will abundantly prove that this charge is as unfounded as it is indecent. Those details verify the representations of the conduct of certain Spanish officers which are given in my report of the 3d of July to the President. If the truth has excited any unpleasant sensations, those only are to blame whose injurious acts obliged me plainly to declare. Instead of this task, I should have been happy to execute the grateful office of stating to the President the good faith and amicable manner in which the officers of his Catholic majesty had executed the treaty of Friendship, limits and navigation between our two nations.

You think also that my report to the President *is not calculated to strengthen the bond of friendship which unite Spain and America.*—Friendship, &c. cannot subsist without *mutual confidence*; and *confidence* springs from *sincerity*. But the proceedings of the Spanish officers, which are the subject of this correspondence, have shaken the confidence of the government and of the citizens of the United States; and my report to the President only exhibits a summary of those proceedings; or rather the plain and obvious conclusions from the authentic facts and circumstances detailed in the documents, then and before presented to his view. And I dare venture to say, that every independent American has from the same premises drawn the same conclusion.

Nothing, Sir, will give truer satisfaction to the government and citizens of the United States than to see such a change in the proceedings of the Spanish officers as will restore confidence. The change would be easy, and the effect certain. *Let them withdraw their troops and garrisons from the territories of the United States. Let them commence and prosecute the running of the boundary line. Let them cease to stop, controul or regulate the passage of our citizens on the Mississippi, seeing they have a right to navigate it with perfect freedom.—And let them cease to send agents or Banditties among the Indians residing within the territories of the United States.* When they shall do these things (and the good faith of his Catholic Majesty pledged in the treaty renders their doing them an indispensable duty) then we shall forget what is past; our confidence will return; and with it that beneficial intercourse and those friendly acts by which neighbors may promote each others interests, welfare and happiness.—And for such a state of things, whatever you may have imagined to the contrary, no one more ardently wishes, and on its arrival, no one will more sincerely rejoice, than

Your obedient servant,

TIMOTHY PICKERING.

From the BALTIMORE TELEGRAPHE.

Inclosed is a talk from the Chickasaw chiefs, in January last, and the answer of Baron de Carondelet, respecting the charges which was exhibited in the property of the country of the Natchez. At this [illegible]

The talk of the Chickasaw chiefs.

To the Baron, represented by Upoleyoholo.

Brother,

I was in the time of the English, a chief of my nation, and leader among the warriors, and have then confirmed by the badge I now wear, given me by the Spaniards, who when they became our friends, promised us a steady support and protection, on every emergency. We accepted the proffered boon, and preferred the protection you held out, to the delusive presents of the Americans, which unhappily hands too many of our color. Notwithstanding they endeavoured to destroy you in our opinion, the example of those nations protected by you, was felt by us, and the fate of those that had allowed themselves to be deluded by the prodigality of the Americans could not be concealed from our observation: We could perceive in them the cunning of the rattle-snake, who careles the squirrel he intends to destroy; and in you, the friends of red men and their interest. Brother, now that we know your worth, now that our eyes are opened, and that in the fullness of our confidence, we have received you in our hearts, and have given you, to build a fort, a tract of land which we had received from our fathers, and had sworn to preserve in the state in which the master of breath had given it to them, and to preserve which, we have shed our blood against the French, which we often refused to the English, which we have given to you, overperfuaded by your promises of keeping it, not only for the advantage accruing to yourselves, but as we also thereby secured to ourselves the poffeffion of the teil, and a supply of our wants, which our own industry was incapable of furnishing. How comes it, my Brother that you wish to leave us at such a critical time, or that our great father has given our lands to the Americans, who are desirous of nothing but to drive us thence, and perhaps kill us like wild beasts. Will he who is the cauf of this look on with indifference, and see our blood, of which he has been so sparing himself, shed by others? If he intended to give away our lands, why did he promise to preserve them? Had we not trusted him, we should have joined those nations who have left theirs, and like them have fought for our country. Notwithstanding that, we shall do all our endeavours to oppose their entrance into our woods and taking poffeffion of our lands; yet we know we muft fail; yet the attempt is worthy of men. We have seen the treaty; it has been read to us in our nation, and we observe that our father has not only abandoned us like the smaller animals, to the jaws of the tiger and bear, but he encourages them to devour us, by saying, if we commit any faults, that he will drive us back to our dens, and keep us there. We know that we are not all good, there are good and bad amongst us as amongst other men. If a red man happens to commit a crime, you will complain to the Americans, without knowing the guilty, and the innocent will suffer, perhaps the ignominious punishment of the laft, as you treat your slaves, red men are naturally vindictive, and the people so treated will seek revenge; it is then our ruin is complete: Alas, perhaps the ruin our father brings upon us by abandoning our land, may bring upon himself the loss of his own. In our hunting parties, the Americans go before us, and make us ashamed, by their exertions, which exceed ours; they penetrate further into the country than we do, where the finest grows; we meet them daily returning from their hunts, and some remain among the red men of their countries, in order, no doubt, with and take their lands when a proper opportunity offers. Do you think, my brother, that we do not see these things? we have eyes to feel, eyes to see, & ears to hear. Where are all the presents made to us by Carondelet, in the name of our father? Are those [illegible]

which you now are, have they not room to believe me an accomplice of those who abandoned them, at such a critical moment? Do you believe, my brother, that I am safe from their reproaches, or that I have not already felt them? Yes, my brother, they see the lands which we give and which you now abandon, cannot be defended by us, as our forts are the woods, and you have converted it into an open field.

Governor Gayoso writes us, you are a man of valor named by our father of Orleans to watch over and protect us. Why do you not comply with your instructions? Tell me without falsehood, what we are to do, for we are informed the Americans are now coming to mark our trees, and take possession of our lands. If this is true, I cannot answer for the consequences, for our brothers the Chickasaws are no more disposed to admit them than we are; for my part, I am a leader of my nation, and I will lay down my life to prove to them that my intentions were good in soliciting them in your favour.

Answer—Tell me if I may return to my nation, to appease the tumults of their minds. Shall I tell them the talk of the Americans is a falsehood. Shall I assure our warriors, our children and our women, that your flag will always wave over your lands, or tell them to prepare to die?

The following is the answer to the above speech, sent by express from New Orleans.

BROTHER,

I have read the talk which you have addressed in the name of your nation to the commandant of the fort at the Chickasaw Bluffs, and I make haste to answer it, to undeceive you, for my heart is afflicted at seeing you and your people in sorrow. For upwards of five years since the great king sent me to this country, the red men have always been near my heart: I have been incessantly employed in rendering them happy. Ugaiyarabe, remember the efforts I made to re unite all the nations which dwell between the Ohio and the Great Water, like the hen which assembles her chickens, and covers them with her wings when she perceives the birds of prey; remember what I have told yourself, to the chiefs of the Chactaws, Creeks and Cherokees; recollect all that I do to maintain the whole of these nations in peace; the councils I have given them for their mutual safety. Your own nation, the Chickasaws, altho' the last to listen to me, have been attentive to my voice and faithful to their promises. How then can it be possible that I should endanger them.

Brother and you brave Chickasaws, open your ears, listen and believe. When I received the treaty which you spoke of to me, Ugaiyacabe, I said to the great king, powerful monarch, you who are alike a father to all, you who have always cherished and protected the red men, who are as numerous in your dominions as the stars in the firmament, will you abandon those who dwell between the Ohio and the Great Water. He replied the great monarch, I will never abandon them; I will never withdraw the arm that protects them. The Chickasaws, Chactaws and Creeks, are free nations; the lands which they inhabit are theirs, and I will never suffer them to be deprived of them against their will. The line of demarcation which is to separate my States from those of the Americans neither regards nor encroaches on the property of the red men, it is only the boundary between the Spaniards and the Americans who can neither buy lands from the red men nor build forts on them, beyond the limits that shall be marked. In fine, we have agreed in the treaty, that the Spaniards and Americans shall trade and supply the red men with whatever they may want, whenever they please, indiscriminately and without troubling themselves about the limits.

Brothers, you have here the voice of the great king, your protector, who speaks to you in this paper, you may shew it, publish it every where for it is true. This I repeat it to you. You well know that my tongue has never been double. We will restore to you the lands which you have given us—we will take away whatever could be injurious to your safety. You will receive next spring presents as formerly. Mr. Panton may if he pleases set up his store on the opposite side of the river, for which ends I will leave some of my warriors to protect him. He will sell to you and will purchase your merchandize. The Americans our friends will deal with you likewise, consequently you will want nothing. You will be at peace with all. You will have the option of taking your lands to the Americans or selling them, and if any attempt be made to drive you from the lands, which the great Master of the sun has given to your ancestors, from the land which covers the bodies of your fathers, be assured the great monarch will oppose it.

Ugaiyacabe & you brave warriors that accompany him, return all home to your village with this talk, which your ambassador, Panton will immediately carry you: shew it to the warriors, to your children to your wives, at the same time telling them that our friends the Americans will not leave them, the great king will not abandon them, the sun will not leave the heavens, our children shall not cease to be born, our women shall not cease to bear, and in short you will have no cause to complain.

By the last Mail.

NEW-YORK, October 23.

By Captain Adamson, of the ship Chesapeake, arrived yesterday, in 56 days from Bristol, we have been favored with London Prints to the 16th of August, (seven days later than our former advices): and from which we have selected the articles detailed as under.

LONDON, August 21—22

Letters from Ireland, by the mail of yesterday, state two matters not much in union, though proceeding from the same cause, an increase of disaffection and of quiet.—Neither the bayonet nor the flames have sufficiently diseriminated. Not only the parish of Rathfryland, respectable in extent, in population, in industry, but almost the entire country from Newry to Dundalk has been desolated, under the suspicion of a general disposition to defection—nor has the progress of alarm been marked by less fatality in other quarters.

The consequence must be obvious, the many who will not, like the Spaniel, lick the hand by which they are chastised, brood over their ills, and thirst for the moment in which they think they may surmount them.

The last accounts from Lord St. Vincent and Bridport, state the continuance of their fleets in their former stations.

On Saturday arrived the first of the Hamburg mails due, which brought intelligence of rather an hostile nature, as far as regarded the negociations between the emperor and the French republic. The letters from Vienna stated in very positive terms, that his imperial majesty had determined to renew hostilities, rather than cede the fortress of Mantua to the Cisalpine republic, which the French have founded in Italy.

Yesterday another Hamburg mail, and also the chaplain of Sir Morton Eden, who came with dispatches from Vienna. The advices are much more pacific than those brought by the preceding mail; and we find, that after numerous difficulties raised by the French negociator in Italy, in regard to the cession of Mantua to the Emperor, the directory at length instructed him to give up the point: and accordingly Mantua is to be restored to his imperial majesty; but all the French ordnance and stores are to be previously taken away.

The principal point of difference being now removed, we may expect to hear the definitive treaty of peace has been signed between the emperor and the French republic; unless, indeed, the former chooses to wait the issue of the negociation at Lisle; for which place, Mr. Brooks, the messenger, set off late on Saturday night, with the answer of our court to the last dispatches. Lord Leveson Gower remains in town.

We learn by private letters from Hamburgh, of the 11th inst. that the object of the King of Sweden's journey into Germany, was first to see the king of Prussia at Pyrmont; but principally to espouse a princess of the house of Saxe Coburgh, whither his Swedish majesty has gone. The king of Prussia is returned to Berlin.

Mr. Higgins the messenger has been dispatched by government with advices to the hon. Robert Walpole, his majesty's ambassador at the court of Portugal.

Mr. Pitt came to town yesterday from Holwood, and Mr. Secretary Nepean had a long interview with him at his house in Downing Street, on instructions, it is said, which are to be sent to earl St. Vincent cruising with his fleet off Cadiz, in consequence of the treaty between France and Portugal.

Black cockades have been adopted at the customs of the royalists in Paris. The soldiers have torn them off and the brave call it a title of honour to be deprived of their collar. One young man that a soldier with a pistol who attempted to pull his off. Orders, however, have been given to apprehend every soldier who shall attempt to insult any citizen on account of his dress.

The inhabitants of all the great towns in Holland, particularly those of Amsterdam, are very busily employed in [illegible]

ransay Bill [illegible] them in subjection.—A [illegible] the [illegible] bliss [illegible] republic [illegible] this [illegible] consulting [illegible] peace, [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] Catholics [illegible] causes [illegible] the subject to [illegible] and some of the principals in the business to be banished from Rome.

Though there can be little danger of any attempt to commence the siege at Gibraltar, yet such is the precaution of government, that the force of last year's [illegible] is said to be followed [illegible] any reasonable consumption for five years to come. The principal thing of water, however, is under the command of the Spanish batteries.

It is confidently said, that gen. Simcoe who a few days since arrived from the West Indies in the Shallow armed brig, has come home to represent to government the absolute necessity of sending out to St. Domingo a considerable military force for the support of the British interest in that quarter; and we learn that an embarkation of government troops, by draughts from Scotland and Chatham barracks, of which regiments are to be immediately sent to St. Domingo.

The Maidstone frigate, from Africa, is arrived at Barbadoes with a privateer of 14 guns and 70 men, which she took on her passage.

August 23—24.

Dispatches from Lord Malmesbury were this day received at the secretary of state's office, from Lisle, by Mr. Wick, the messenger, who reached Calais in 12 hours, and was only 9 hours in his passage to Dover; when he arrived, no communication was permitted with the vessel. The dispatches were transmitted to Lord Grenville at Dropmore. They are said to be of the first importance, but nothing particular has transpired.

The stay of Lord Malmesbury at Lisle is likely to be of longer duration than was at first expected; his lordship has taken a house there for himself and his retinue.

The Hamburgh mail, due on Sunday last, arrived this day.

The intelligence from Italy relates to the troubles in Piedmont, and to the distresses at Venice.

This day arrived a mail from Lisbon, brought to Falmouth by the Washington Packet in 12 days. It is said to bring advice of the bombardment of Cadiz having wholly ceased; and that rear-admiral Nelson has been detached by earl St. Vincent, with 3 ships of the line and 4 frigates, on an expedition against the island of Teneriffe. The fleet were to call at Gibraltar for some transports, with troops and ammunition, to be employed in the enterprize.

Paris remains in a state of perfect tranquility, not withstanding which the military preparations are continued with much activity. Two more regiments of cavalry are arrived, and the Champ de Mars is filled with cannon. The breach between the councils and the directory does not appear to have received a complete reparation. The former naturally view the proceedings of the latter with a jealous eye, and are adopting every practicable means to abridge their military authority and influence. The council of five hundred in the sitting of the 17th inst. decreed that the directory should not have power to go without officers of their discretion; and that no naval or military officer should be [illegible] the [illegible] by dismissed, except by virtue of a legal judgment. On the sitting of the 19th a very flattering discourse was pronounced to the councils, on the success of the finances and resources of the public revenue, and a commission was appointed to report upon the whole plan of the system of this year.

The [illegible] still continues to publish the [illegible] of the [illegible] of the councils. [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]

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An action has taken place in the East-Indies between the British troops and the Rajah of Cotiote, in which Maj. Cameron, the commander fell, with the additional loss of 300 men. The Rajah was afterwards subdued and brought to submission.

Lord Macartney arrived at the Cape of Good Hope, on the 4th of May last. Every thing remained quiet at that place.

The King of Prussia is recovering from his late indisposition.

It is stated from several quarters, that the French directory have instructed general Buonaparte, to afford the king of Sardinia every succour that may be necessary to the support of his throne, against the seditious part of his subjects.

BATAVIAN REPUBLIC.

The Oracle, an English paper of Aug. 22d Rates the following:

A letter from the Hague, Aug. 16, says, "the primary assemblies have expressed their detestation of citizen Noel and his friends, by every act of publicity; the new constitution was rejected on the 9th inst. and the people are determined to sanction nothing which gives such unlimited power to the French. It was rejected by a majority of more than 15,000.

Treaty with Portugal.

The French council of 500, have approved of this treaty, but no particulars had yet transpired.

A dreadful earthquake has happened at Santa Fe and Panama, in South America, in which between 30 and 40,000 souls are said to have perished.

M. Necker, the Ex-financier of France, having been struck off the proscribed list of Emigrants, is returned to France and resides at present in the neighbourhood of Paris.

In a former paper we stated that crowns were received in the banks at *eight shillings and ten pence*, or one hundred & ten cents; our informant was not correct in his statement—the bank receive them at 110 *cents only*.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 26.

It is with pleasure we announce to the public the safe arrival of the *William Penn*, Captain Josiah, from London, which port she left the 23d of August, but put into Falmouth, and sailed from thence on the 31st, in company with the armed ship Cleopatra.

A gentleman passenger in the above ship has favored us with London papers to the evening of the 29th of August, from which we have made extracts as follow: The same gentleman had a paper of the 30th, which was lost at sea.

The paper of the 30th Aug. received at Falmouth, mentions that peace was concluded between France and [illegible] and that Merlin de Douay, and Francois de Neufchateau had been appointed Directors in the room of Rewbell and Merlin de Thionville, who had retired by lot. Barthelemi succeeds Carnot, who is proscribed. Pichegru presides in the Council of Five Hundred, and Barras in the Senate. Augereau is appointed to the command of the army of Italy, in the room of Buonaparte, who is to command the army of England. Hoche is appointed to the command of the army of the Sambre and Meuse, in the room of Pichegru. Moreau is appointed to the command of the army of the Rhine and Moselle, in the room of Hoche. Clarke is appointed Minister at War, in the room of Petiet. Talleyrand is appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs, in the room of Delacroix. Bernadotte is appointed Ambassador to the Batavian Republic, in the room of Noel. Truguet is appointed Minister of the Marine, in the room of Pleville le Pelley. Bonnier is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Trouve. Cochon is appointed Minister of the Police, in the room of Sotin. Ramel is appointed Minister of the Finances, in the room of Faipoult. Benezech is appointed Minister of the Interior, in the room of Francois de Neufchateau. Lagarde is appointed Secretary to the Directory, in the room of Lavaux. Merlin de Douay is appointed Minister of the Police, in the room of Cochon. Francois de Neufchateau is appointed Minister to the Batavian Republic, in the room of Bernadotte. Petiet is appointed Minister of the Marine, in the room of Truguet. Rewbell is appointed Minister to the Helvetic Republic, in the room of Barthelemi. Faipoult is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Bonnier. Trouve is appointed Minister of the Interior, in the room of Benezech. Lavaux is appointed Minister of the Finances, in the room of Ramel. Sotin is appointed Minister to the Ligurian Republic, in the room of Faipoult. Delacroix is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Trouve. Pleville le Pelley is appointed Minister to the Ligurian Republic, in the room of Sotin. Carnot is appointed Minister to the Helvetic Republic, in the room of Rewbell. Barthelemi is appointed Minister to the Batavian Republic, in the room of Francois de Neufchateau. Bernadotte is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Delacroix. Noel is appointed Minister to the Ligurian Republic, in the room of Pleville le Pelley. Faipoult is appointed Minister to the Helvetic Republic, in the room of Carnot. Bonnier is appointed Minister to the Batavian Republic, in the room of Barthelemi. Trouve is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Bernadotte. Benezech is appointed Minister to the Ligurian Republic, in the room of Noel. Ramel is appointed Minister to the Helvetic Republic, in the room of Faipoult. Francois de Neufchateau is appointed Minister to the Batavian Republic, in the room of Bonnier. Delacroix is appointed Minister to the Cisalpine Republic, in the room of Trouve. Pleville le Pelley is appointed Minister to the Ligurian Republic, in the room of Benezech. Carnot is appointed Minister to the Helvetic Republic, in the room of Ramel

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AMERICAN Remembrancer
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Farriery
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Hamilton's Outlines
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Natural History
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Select Pamphlets
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Shipwreck
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Steuben's regulation
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Self Knowledge
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Tom Jones
Trials of the Heart
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Testaments
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Watt's Hymns
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Mills' Farriery
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Rush's Works
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Troy's Destruction
Voltair's Philosophical Dictionary

Samuel Myers,

(Next door but one to the Eagle-Tavern)

Has received a fresh supply of superior quality

PORT WINE in pipes and quarter casks,
Prime quality SUGAR,
COFFEE and MOLASSES,
3rd and 4th proof ANTIGUA RUM in hogsheads,
And FRENCH BRANDY in pipes;
Which he will sell at moderate prices for Cash or Country Produce.

Richmond, August 10th, 1797.

BLANK BILLS OF EXCHANGE,

For sale at this Printing-office

PROPOSALS

BY SUBSCRIPTION

TO OPEN A COURSE OF

Cosmography,

BY LOUIS ALEXANDER DUPUY.

MR DUPUY, animated by the encouragement that has generally been experienced in this country, by those who have projected and offered plans of real utility to the public;—respectfully informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of this city and its vicinity, that he intends to open a course of COSMOGRAPHY.

The method of teaching and laying the foundation of some particular Science by Public Courses, has proved extremely useful, and it is now in Europe the common method of teaching and demonstrating either Natural Philosophy, Astronomy, &c. In those Courses the demonstrations in form of Lectures have been made by persons the most distinguished for their learning as well in France, England, Italy, &c. We reckon among those who have adopted this method in England, Doctor John Keill, who was one of the first, and after him Messrs. Hawkbee, Whiston, Whitefides, Doctors Bradley and Bilk, and Mr. Ferguson, and in France Messrs. Gravelande, L'Abbe Nollet Fourcroi and Mortel; and what may be said more in favor of those Courses is, that they are always attended by persons of the most eminent character.

There is not a science more interesting and useful than Cosmography; for it contains both Geography and Astronomy, two sciences not only useful but indispensable to Merchants, Navigators, &c.

The knowledge of the Universe at large, and of the Earth which we inhabit, is one of the sublimest pursuits of mankind.—Those sciences have been for a long time exercised in the Schools of Philosophers; but in an age so celebrated as this, for sciences; learning is no more confined within the schools of a few philosophers, or the courts of the great; but like all the greatest advantages which Heaven has bestowed on mankind, it is become as universal as it is useful.

The plan he intends to follow is to exhibit and demonstrate by way of Lectures, in a neat, distinct and mathematical manner, whatever relates to Geography and Astronomy; but more particularly to explain and develope in a sensible and striking manner the Phænomena of the Heavens, the Motions and Phases of Mercury, Venus, and the Moon, the physical causes of the motion of the Planets, the eccentricities of their orbits, the force in which the attraction acts upon them more sensibly; and why? the distances of the Planets from the sun, and the manner of taking them demonstrated; the different length of days and nights, and the vicissitudes of seasons will be explained in the most plain manner; as likewise the cause of the ebbing and flowing of the sea, of the eclipse and the manner to calculate them.—He will avoid superfluity and endeavour to render every thing as plain as the subject will admit of; but always intelligible even to those who have not the least notion of Astronomy; in fine, he will introduce every thing successively in a manner both entertaining and instructive.

The Lectures will be open the first of November next, if there is a number completed of twenty five subscribers: No trouble or expense will be spared to procure a large and convenient room for the purpose; as well as every thing necessary for the demonstrations, such as Globes, Spheres, Maps, &c.

The price will be Fourteen Dollars for the season of Four Months; Four Dollars to be paid in advance, and the Ten others and the end of February.

The Lectures will be held twice a week.

☞ The Subscription Papers will be left at Messrs. PRENTIS and DAVIDSON'S Book Store, and at Mr. HOPKINS'S Office

Richmond, Oct. 10, 1797.

* The United States.

French Academy.

LOUIS A. DUPUY,

(FROM PARIS)

RESPECTFULLY informs the Citizens of Richmond and its Vicinity, that he continues to TEACH the FRENCH LANGUAGE in the City—such Ladies and Gentlemen as wish to be Taught this useful and beautiful Language in its purity, may depend on the greatest assiduity and attention.

☞ LADIES and GENTLEMEN who cannot with convenience attend his Academy, will be waited on at their own houses.

N. B. He may be seen at Messrs. Ladd, Anthony & Co's.

Richmond, Oct. 10, 1797.

George Green,

HEREBY informs the PUBLIC, and his CUSTOMERS in particular, that he has REMOVED from the Tavern opposite Mr. Bowler's, to the OLD CITY TAVERN, known by the name of CALEB RAWLINS', below the Market—and hopes he has, and shall continue to merit a continuance of their custom.

Richmond, Oct. 12, 1797.

BLANK BONDS, BILLS of LADING, and SHERIFF'S BAIL BONDS,
May be had at S. PLEASANTS' Printing-Office

Negroes *for Sale.*

ON Monday the 30th of November next, if fair, if not the next fair day, will be SOLD to the highest bidder,

Fifteen or Twenty very Likely

NEGROES;

Consisting of Men, Women and Children, for one half Cash, the other half payable in Twelve Months, on Bond with approved security, to bear interest from the date if not punctually paid. The sale will be made at *Edmund Taylor's* Tavern in *Hanover* County, 25 miles from *Richmond*, 12 miles above the *Court-House*, and 35 or 40 from *Fredericksburg*.

EXECUTORS of
NELSON BERKELEY.

Hanover, 5th Sept. 1797.

N. B. Any person who wishes to purchase Negroes at private sale for Cash, may furnish themselves by applying to NELSON BERKELEY, living near *Taylor's* Tavern. tdl

FOR SALE,

That Valuable Tract of Land

WHEREON *the subscriber lives, containing* 1176 *acres by accurate survey; this Land is of excellent quality for corn, wheat and tobacco, conveniently situated, being only* 38 *miles from Richmond, 4 from James river, and* 9 *from the Courthouse; the plantation in good order to work* 12 *or* 15 *hands to advantage.—One third of the purchase money will be required in hand, the balance in two equal annual payments.—Military Lands will be received for the two last payments, & a generous price allowed.—A further description is deemed unnecessary as I presume no bargain will take place without previously inspecting the premises.*

SMITH PAYNE.

Goochland, May 27*th*, 1797. tf

Just Published,

And for SALE, at S. PLEASANTS' Printing-Office, *Richmond*,

THE VIRGINIA

ALMANACK,

FOR THE

YEAR OF OUR LORD

1798.

CONTAINING

THE rising, setting, mages and eclipses of the sun and moon; the phases, place of the ascending node, latitude and southing of the moon; the places and aspects of planets (including the lately discovered planet, Georgian;) the rising, setting and southing of the planets, and of the most conspicuous fixed stars; conjunctions of the planets with fixed stars; all the visible eclipses of Jupiter's first satellite; the conjunctions of the moon with all stars not less than the 4th magnitude, which can be occultations any where in America; the equation of time, true within half a second, for the noon of every day in the year, and (on the plan of) rules for finding the rising, setting and southing of any fixed star for any day in the year, not set down in the calendar; and for finding the length, increase or decrease of any day in the year.

LIKEWISE,

A variety of Pieces in Prose and Verse—with a list of Public Officers in this Commonwealth, Tables of Interest, &c Dollars and Cents, Quakers' Yearly Meetings, Roads, &c. &c.

Richmond, October 20*th*, 1797.

To be Sold,

THE LANDS in the county of Goochland, heretofore purchased by Yancy Lipscomb, of King William county, from Stokely Towles, of the county of Spotsylvania, and afterwards sold by the said Yancy Lipscomb to Reuben Austin, late of the county of Chesterfield, deceased. These Lands consist of about five hundred acres, and lie near to Pears's Tavern in the county of Goochland aforesaid.—As those who are inclined to purchase will probably view them beforehand, a more particular description is unnecessary. The Lands will be sold on the premises at Public Auction, on a credit of 12 months, the purchaser or purchasers giving bond with security, to be approved by the subscriber and the said Yancy Lipscomb, and bearing legal interest from the date.—Should it best suit the purchasers they may be sold in parcels, tho' a sale of the whole together would be preferred. They will be sold on Thursday the 7th day of December next. Possession will then be given, and an undoubted title made to the purchaser.

THE EXECUTRIX.

Chesterfield, October 27th, 1797. 4w

For sale at this Printing-Office,

THE

American Farmer's Guide;

OR

A new and Excellent Treatise on

AGRICULTURE,

[Price 1/. 6d]

BENJ. DU-VAL,

At the Sign of the

GOLDEN MORTAR—RICHMOND

HAS FOR SALE,

A very extensive assortment of fresh

MEDICINES,

Drugs & Surgeons' Instruments,

PERFUMERY, Shaving Soap, and Hair Powder.—All kinds of Paints ground in Oil, dry Verdegrease, Prussian Blue, Patent and Naples Yellow, Linseed Oil, Rosin and spirits of Turpentine; Paint brushes, Gold Leaf and Cammel's hair Pencils, and every article in his line of business; which he is selling by WHOLESALE and RETAIL, at very reduced prices for cash or country produce.

Great allowance will be made to wholesale purchasers, and to shew that he is able to supply any quantity that may be wanting, he takes the liberty to mention the quantities of a few articles which he has now on hand, and will always be regularly supplied with, of the freshest and best to be had from Europe,—viz:

1200lb.	Red Bark,	100lb	Quicksilver,
1500lb.	Pale do.	1	Ton Glau. Salts,
1000lb.	Cream of Tartar,	½	Do. Epsom's do
		2	Do. Copperas,
500lb.	Camphire,	1	Do. Whiting,
300lb.	Span. flies,	½	Do. Allum,
200lb.	Rheubarb,	½	Do. Brimstone,
200lb.	Jallap,	500lb.	Best double Aqua Fortis.
60lb.	Calomel,		

And a sufficient quantity of every other article in his line of business to comply with orders from any part of the state.

Physicians and Surgeons, Country store keepers, Hatters and Painters, and all other persons wanting any thing in his line, will find it to their interest to deal with him, as he is determined to sell at a very moderate advance, and will warrant every thing to be genuine that he offers for sale.

He continues to make the celebrated ANTIBILIOUS PILLS, so much approved of by all who have taken them for upwards of 3 years, for which he has lately procured a patent.—Great allowance made by the groce or dozen boxes, which are put up with printed directions.

These Pills carry off the bile in a surprising manner, without causing the least uneasiness in the stomach or bowels, and may be taken by man, woman or child, in any situation and at any time without hindrance from business or alteration in diet.—They are an excellent remedy for the head ache, vertigo and wretchedness, and will generally cure agues and bilious fevers, if taken in time, particularly if a few doses of bark be taken after their operation is over.

B. D.

☞ *MEDICINE CHESTS put up at the shortest notice.*

RICHMOND, June 24th, 179

ANDREW and ROBERT M'KIM,

(AT THEIR WINDSOR CHAIR SHOP)

Have just received, and for sale, a large assortment of fresh German

Bolting-Cloths,

Calculated for reels of 22 and 27 inches diameter, and are of the following numbers, viz. 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, all of which are warranted.—They have also for sale, a few copies of the MILL WRIGHT, and MILLERS GUIDE, and a regular supply of ELEVATOR BUCKETS, for carrying up wheat, flour, &c. in mills.

Richmond, Sept. 19, 1797. 6w

Patent Burr Mill-Stones,

Made by Oliver Evans, *No.* 130, *South second street, Philadelphia,*

PERFECTLY regular and true, balanced on their centers, and warranted good; the great advantages of which are well known to all experienced Millers and Millwrights. He keeps for sale Plaister of Paris; also,

Warranted Bolting-Cloths,

Both foreign and American manufacture, for merchant and country work, and the

Assistant Wright & Miller's Guide,

Designed to be useful to all concerned in water mills, which are also kept by

OLIVER and EVAN EVANS,

At the following places, viz. Benjamin and James Ellicott, Baltimore; Jenney & Irish, Alexandria; Anthony Buck, Fredericksburgh; Andrew & Robert M'Kim, Richmond; where application for Mill-Stones will be attended to. 6w

For Sale,

An Elegant Single Chair

And HARNESS, on reasonable terms for ready money.

ROBERT RICHARDSON.

September 8th, 1797. tf

MAPS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

FOR SALE

At this Printing Office.